Science of Design Working Group Outbrief

Ship Design Process Workshop April 2, 2009

Outline

- Define Design
 - What is design?
 - What is NOT design?
- What parts of design are:
 - Art?
 - Science?
- For the Science part
 - What is well known?
 - What needs to be

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Process View

Requirements Development

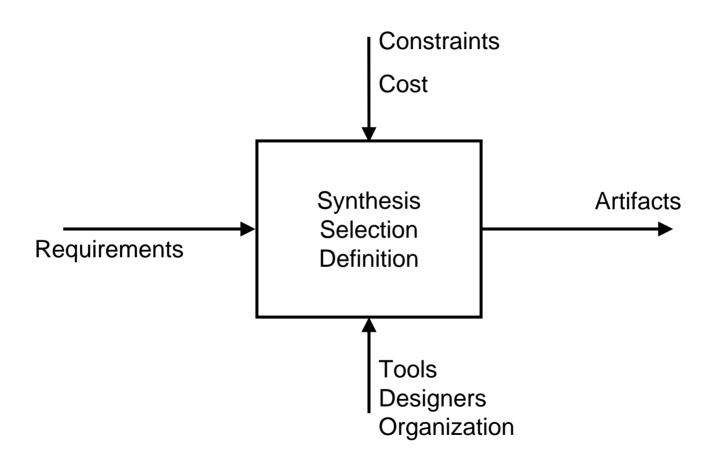
> Requirements Analysis

> > Architecture (Philosophy)

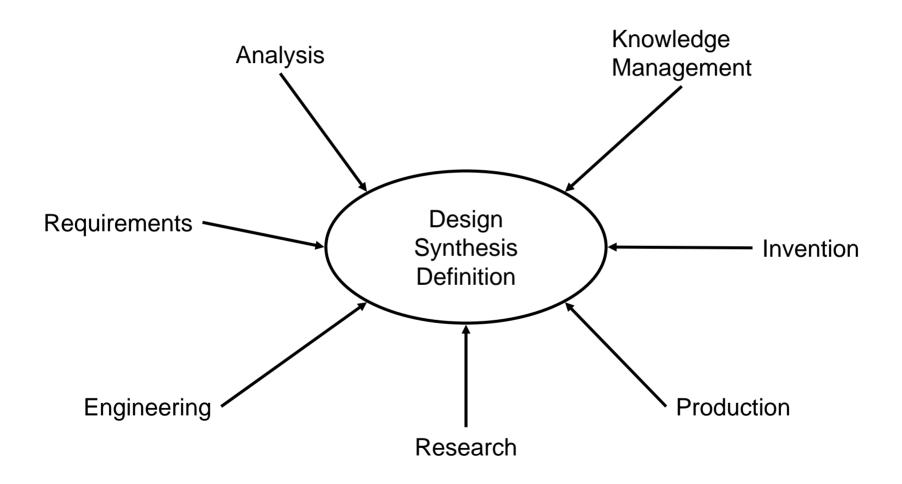
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IDEF0 View



Affinity Diagram



Art

- Intuition
- Creation (1)
- Aesthetics (1)

Science

- Structured
- Prediction (3)
- Modeling (1)
- Assessment
- Artifact (1)
- Meet Requirements (1)
- Balance
 - As in balancing a design to match disciplines

- Ambiguity / Uncertainty
- Analysis (2)

Art → Science

- Estimation
- Decision Making
- Synthesis (3)
- Integration (4)
- Decomposition (1)
- Activity
- Compromise
- Arrangement of Elements (2)
- Pattern Creation (5)
- "Nested" / Teams
- Optimization (3)
- Recursive (1)
- Architecting (2)

- Intuition
- Knowledge (4)
- Cognition
- "Not Noiseless"
 - Handling of the
- Not well defined solutions
 - underdetermined
 - Under-constrained problems
 - How do you force an organization to make a decision when the only wrong decision is to not make a decision
- Hierarchy
- Producibility (5)

Pattern Creation

 How to go about imposing order on the design artifacts including establishing the boundaries of systems.

Producibility

- Any concept or action that reduces the ship acquisition cost without degrading the ship's performance. E.g., estimate how long it would take to design the
- A repeatable, verifiable structured approach to design for production.

Integrative

including the human element in putting everything together.

Knowledge

 Knowledge management leading to insight and understanding as a critical enabler of design. Knowledge management includes: capture, retention, access, communication, application...

Synthesis

 The ability to achieve balance quickly and efficiently through the design iteration

Prediction

 Minimization of uncertainty and error in the synthesis, effectively increasing the rate of convergence of design

Optimization

- To have the ability to explore the tradespace to better find the solution(s) in nonlinear spaces
- To decide between dissimilar but equally good solutions
- The ability to find/identify the nondominated solutions for a given set of objectives at the appropriate level within the system hierarchy

Chris' Slide

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- Science involves following the scientific method, which in this case it is meant
 - that we can produce repeatable and verifiable results
- Demand for "scientific" design is increasing and the tools that supply this capability are becoming more Science helps you find a better/faster/cheaper solution when your requirements become more orthogonal and the problem is more constrained
- Today's computing power coupled with M&S techniques enable us to keep up with the increased demand for following a scientific approach to design

- Design includes requirements?
 - At some levels it does, if design is like an onion, in one layer, design can include requirements development and analysis
- Art and science may be inseparable
 - Think of heuristics used in art, that once the artists learn them, they can do the art better
 - Rules of thirds, golden ratio, perspective, music, etc... these are backed by reasons